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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated October 29, 2002. Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel Claim 17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend Claims 1, 2, and 16 as follows.

**For the Examiner's convenience, all pending claims are listed below. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."**